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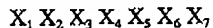
Examiner: Spector, Lorraine

Title: *PEPTIDES AND COMPOUNDS THAT
BIND TO A
THROMBOPOIETIN RECEPTOR*

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231**AMENDMENT and
RESPONSE TO REQUEST FOR ELECTION OF SPECIES****In the Claims:**

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Original) A peptide having a molecular weight of less than about 8000 daltons, and comprising a sequence of amino acids (SEQ ID NO:2):



where X_1 is C, L, M, P, Q, V; X_2 is F, K, L, N, Q, R, S, T or V; X_3 is C, F, I, L, M, R, S, V or W; X_4 is any of the 20 genetically coded L-amino acids; X_5 is A, D, E, G, K, M, Q, R, S, T, V or Y; X_6 is C, F, G, L, M, S, V, W or Y; and X_7 is C, G, I, K, L, M, N, R or V;

and having a detectable label covalently attached to said peptide.